

# Saguaro National Park (East) Naturalist Program Schedule

Programs meet at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center, 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail. Program schedules are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5153 for updates or to make RESERVATIONS.

Programs marked with an \* are wheelchair accessible.

## December 21 – December 27, 2009

## Monday, December 21

## 10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles

Join a park naturalist on this two-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring some water.

## 11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations\*

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment

#### Tuesday, December 22

## 9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

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#### 11:00 a.m. Natural History Table\*

Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to have your questions answered about the natural history of the Sonoran Desert. This is an on-going, 30-mnute program.

## 2:30 p.m. Reptiles and Amphibians of the Sonoran Desert\*

Join park naturalist Bob Brandner for this 30-minite presentation to discover the fascinating world of retiles and amphibians.

#### Wednesday, December 23

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Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

#### Thursday, December 24

#### 11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment

#### 2:00 p.m. Desert Botany 101

Go "back to school" with a naturalist in this 30-minute garden walk to review the basics of photosynthesis in a desert setting, then experiment with leaf adaptations in our "lab",

#### Friday, December 25 Visitor Center Closed

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!

## Saturday, December 26

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#### Sunday, December 27

## 11:00 a.m. People and Places\*

Join Park Ranger Arlo Ogden in the Visitor Center auditorium for this photo tour of the park's historic past, focusing on the stories told by its historic structures..

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